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Memorandum

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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/280,528
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In re patent application of:) Date: January 15, 2004
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 Serial No.: 09/280,528) Customer No.: 00919
 Filed: March 30, 1999) Group Art Unit: 3629
 Confirmation No.:) Examiner: Thomas A. Dixon
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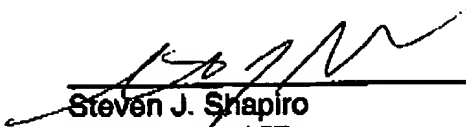
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